

## SIGN-PAINTING L HELD MUCH ABU

**Commissioners May Tighten  
or Change Laws to Help  
Beautify Capital.**

The beauty of the National is being marred by abuses in sign-painting law, Engineer Commissioner Charles W. Kutz declared, opening a hearing at the I. M. building today, the purpose of which is to fix definitely the code under which signs may be painted on buildings.

Col. Kutz told the advertisement and commercial sign painters who attended the hearing that the commissioners know the privilege of painting signs which advertise is being conducted on the premises has been abused.

The Engineer Commissioner said in which he said a sign for a cigar store was placed on a building and a small quantity of cigarettes was kept in a lower floor to justify the sign.

where a sign was placed on the top of a grocery building advertising "brand name" goods. The colonel said that while that brand of goods may have been sold in the store, the sign did not indicate that selling was contemplated in the store, which permits painting of the sign without a business case on the premises.

"I feel," the Engineer Committee concluded, "that the law is abused when abuses of this law show the curbed, and the purpose of the law is defeated. It is a matter of degree. I am sure the colonels have no desire to see the law legitimized as a business sign business. All we desire is to enforce the legislation enacted."

The colonel called attention to the fact that to his knowledge no sign had been issued by the Commission during the past six years.

"The Commission," the sign post told the colonel, "has not told the colonels that to justify a sign, there must be a business case."

signs on business establishments causes them great inconvenience in some instances financial loss.

One man pointed out that seasonally applications for sign permits are held up and referred to the commissioners, working a hardship on the business of sign painting.

It was indicated by Commissioner Kutz that the Commissioners are considering adopting regulations which will specify just how and under what conditions signs may be erected.

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The colonel made special reference to large signs painted on the sides of buildings to advertise national products.

**UNIVERSITY WOMEN ASSOCIATION PROCEEDS**

Officers Elected and Directors Named for National Clubhouse on H Street.

Plans for conduct of the American

Association. The association was being outlined for the first time in existence at the first meeting of its board of directors today at the Washington Hotel. General sessions were concluded last night.

It was decided to appoint a board of directors for the national association, at 1607 H street, to be not more than twenty, of whom at least six should be resident members. This settled a controversy over the size of the board, which involved several technical ideas as to its composition.

The election of officers was

At the election of officers of the Miss Ada Comstock, dean of the College, was elected president of the association. Mrs. Aurelia Rees, president of Mills College, California, was named vice president.

An educational secretary was decided upon to carry on work of the organization along lines for increasing educational legislation and general items conducted with the work.

A delegation also was elected.

represent the association at the conference of the International Association of University Women, which gathered in Geneva, Switzerland, July 1922. Members of the delegation were Miss Adeline C. Comstock, Mrs. Reinhardt, Miss Virginia Giddens, dean of Barnard College; Miss Carey Thomas, retiring president; Bryn Mawr College, and Miss McVea, the founder of the South Atlantic Association of College Women.

Directors elected according to sections of the country represented were: South Atlantic, Miss May

**DEVELOPMENT IS SOUGHT**

Opera Committee of Washington Opera Association Meets

Plans for the development of the Washington Opera Association

discussed yesterday afternoon meeting of the opera committee in the University Club. Edouard Lion, president of the National Association, presided and presented a summary of the growth of the Washington Association. The members of the committee are Lansing, Charles Henry Butler, Mitchell Carroll, William P. J. Lieut. Col. Francis P. A. J.

**FATALITY IS UNEXPLAINED**  
The autopsy performed on the body of Mrs. Evelyn La Rue, a defendant in the Killen murder trial, today revealed no explanation for her death.

Rockville, who died early yesterday morning, failed to show just what irritant poison brought on these attacks of acute gastritis that caused death. It was reported in policies that Mrs. La Rue took a dose of medicine for nervousness before she left Rockville, the paper is stated, being larger than was inscribed on the label. Her body was taken to Newport News, Va., her home, for burial.

**SELLING CONCRETE TANKS**

Bids will be opened April 1 by Shipping Board announced today for the purchase of the concrete tank at Selma, now tied up at Galveston. Permission will be granted, the board stated, for the transfer of the tank to foreign registry.

**COUNTERFEIT CHARGE MADE**

Lincezo Grimaldi of Newark, N. J., was committed to the District Jail today on a charge of making counterfeit money.

on charges of possession of stolen goods, following a hearing in United States Commissioner Isaac Hitt. The case was continued next week.

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### PARLEYS ON DRUGS AC

The Department of Agriculture announces a series of conferences held beginning Tuesday at Louisville, Ky.; Cairo, Ill.; Memphis, Tenn.; Nashville, Tenn., on the requirements of the food and drugs act in relation to the grain standards act.